

REMARKS

Claims 17-26 are currently pending in the application. The Final Office Action has rejected claims 17-26 on the same grounds as those given for the first office action. Applicant held an interview with the Examiner, which was held on June 29, 2004. Applicant submits this Rule 114 Amendment to more clearly define this invention. Claims 17-26 are cancelled without prejudice or surrender of subject matter and claims 28-63 are newly submitted.

The paragraph at page 12, line 18 is amended to correct a clear error, as is apparent from the subsequent portions of the same paragraph in which the user is the person being referred to.

The paragraph starting a page 14, line 3 has a clear spelling error that is being corrected as is clear from the paragraph following the cited paragraph, the following paragraph using the phrase "currently active auctions."

Support for claim 28-31 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and page 10, lines 12-27 of Applicant's specification.

Support for claims 32-34 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and at page 11, lines 3-11 of Applicant's specification.

Support for claims 35-40 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and page 11, line 12 to page 12, line 15 of Applicant's specification.

Support for claim 41 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and page 12, line 18 to page 13, line 3 of Applicant's specification

Support for claim 42-44 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and page 13, lines 4-14.

Support for claims 45-47 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and page 13, lines 15-22 of Applicant's specification.

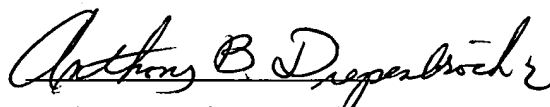
Support for claim 48-50 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and page 13, line 23 to page 14, line 2 of Applicant's specification.

Support for claim 51-63 is found at least at page 5, lines 16-19, page 13, lines 11-14, and at page 14, lines 3-20.

Thus, in light of the above, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims and the new claim in the above-mentioned application.

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Respectfully submitted



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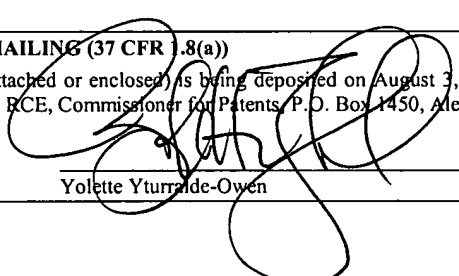
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